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Attn: Toni Strother (tonistrother2@usda.gov)  
National Organic Program  
USDA/AMS/T&M/NOP  
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Dear Ms. Strother,

On June 29, 2001 a petition to amend the National List for Glycerol Monooleate (Antifoam) was submitted to the National Organic Program by the J.M. Smucker Company, Horizon Organic Dairy, and Cyanotech Corporation. In October 2001 we formally requested to defer the vote of this material so that further testing could be conducted on several of the alternatives that were identified in the TAP report.

All companies that petitioned this material have successfully tested an "organic" antifoam which can be used in a variety of applications. Therefore, we formally request that the petition for Glycerol Monooleate be withdrawn.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kathy Ellertson  
J.M. Smucker Company  
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